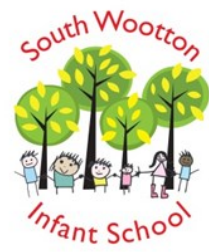




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## South Wootton Infant School Newsletter



Issue 1

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### We are Back!

It is so good to be all back in school. We would like to thank everyone for the way you have embraced our new routines and measures intended to make us Covid-Secure. The children continue to adapt well to the new routines. We have been very impressed with the start our new Reception children have made. They have coped well with being dropped off at the gate with staff on hand to ensure they make it round to their classroom safely!

We are currently assessing all the children to ensure that the curriculum we provide will meet their needs and address any gaps in learning that may have occurred during their extended period out of school. The Year 1 and Year 2 teachers are pleased that many of their children are rising to the challenges of their new learning.

We are continuing to have a focus on reading over the next year. Mrs Burt has sent out an updated RED TED letter explaining our expectations around reading at home. We will continue to reward this within school. We are also researching the best electronic reading scheme as we no longer have our free access to Active Learn that was provided to schools during the lockdown.

Another focus for teaching and learning this term is the development of our "remote learning" offer. We need to ensure that teaching and learning is not interrupted for pupils in the event of them needing to isolate at home. We will keep you updated on this.

This half term we have made the decision to not send out our Home Learning grids. Instead we would like you to focus on reading and the Key Instant Recall Facts for maths that Miss Brice wrote to you all about.

Parent Consultations will take place after half term and will be via phone call as we are advised to limit face to face meetings.

### Parent Governor Vacancy

Are you interested in how your child and others learn?

Do you like to ask questions and find out about things?

Do you want to help South Wootton Infant School become the best it can?

**If you answered yes to any of these questions, consider becoming a governor at South Wootton Infants School.**

All skills and experiences valued

Maximum of 6 full Governing Body meetings and 6 short committee meetings a year arranged to suit commitments

Meet new people, gain new skills which are valued in the wider work place.

Nomination forms are available from the office and should be returned by the morning of Tuesday 8th October.

If there is more than one candidate there will be a vote.

### Attendance

This year we realise that attendance may be compromised by the need for pupils and families to isolate etc. We are still aiming for our attendance to be above 96% although this is an ambitious target at this time.

School policy around taking holidays in term time remains the same and the Local Authority will issue Fixed penalty Notices if you choose to take your child out of school for a week or more.

At the moment, it would appear to be safer to stay at home where infection levels for Coronavirus are low—lower than many other areas of the UK.

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**Smile! Work! Inspire!  
Succeed!**



### **DON'T FORGET**

All children need wellington boots in school for outdoor learning. These should be clearly named.

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## Birthdays

The children who have celebrated their birthday in September are:

Frankie, Ella, Leola, Percy, Maddison, Sophia, Ronny and Fleur g

Lewis, James, Louie and Harry **who are now 6 years old.**

Braidie, Joshua, Freddie and Lillia **who are now 7 years old.**

CONGRATULATIONS to everyone who celebrates their birthday this month.

## Attendance

For the month of September the class with the best attendance was RED SQUIRRELS with an attendance total of 95.9% .

**CONGRATULATIONS to them.**

Our overall attendance is now 95.75%. Our target for the year is 96% which is ambitious given the current restrictions!

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